

Senate File 225 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act designating individuals who perform work on electric
2 utility lines as public safety employees for purposes
3 of public employee collective bargaining and including
4 applicability provisions.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 20.3, subsection 11, Code 2023, is
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. *g.* An individual employed for the purpose of
4 performing installation, maintenance, or other work on electric
5 utility lines.

6 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to collective
7 bargaining procedures pursuant to chapter 20 initiated on or
8 after the effective date of this Act.

9 EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 This bill designates individuals employed for the purpose of
13 performing installation, maintenance, or other work on electric
14 utility lines as public safety employees for the purposes of
15 collective bargaining pursuant to Code chapter 20, the public
16 employment relations Act. Code chapter 20 and Code chapter
17 400 include collective bargaining procedures specifically
18 applicable to public safety employees that are not applicable
19 to other public employees, including procedures relating to
20 the scope of collective bargaining negotiations, arbitration
21 procedures, and certain matters relating to city civil service
22 employment.

23 The bill applies to collective bargaining procedures
24 pursuant to Code chapter 20 initiated on or after the effective
25 date of the bill.